



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 1636**

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In re Application of:

Hattori et al.

Application No. 09/765,865

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Examiner: Bronwen Loeb

For: PLASMID, A TRANSFORMANT
BEARING THE PLASMID, AND
METHOD OF PRODUCING AN
ENZYME USING THE
TRANSFORMANT

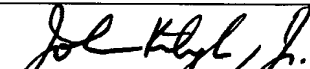
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